



# Sacramento Profile

Sacramento is the cultural, economic, educational and governmental hub of a greater metropolitan area that spans six counties and is home to over 2 million people. Named by Newsweek magazine as one of the ten best cities in the country, its residents enjoy a beautiful city teeming with trees and an unsurpassed quality of life rich in culture, entertainment and outdoor recreation.

## Location

Sacramento is centrally located 85 miles northeast of San Francisco, 383 miles north of Los Angeles and 100 miles southwest of Lake Tahoe at an elevation of 17 feet. It enjoys the beauty and recreation provided by two rivers and is flanked on the east by rolling foothills.

## Finances & Economics

The cost of living in Sacramento is just slightly higher than the national average with a median family income of \$33,087.

- Sales tax rate.....7.75%
- Average home purchase cost, 2,000 square foot home..... \$250,000
- Average annual property tax, 2,000 square foot home..... \$2,500
- Regional retail sales ..... 28.8 billion +

## Employment

In 2001, the services sector represented the largest share of the Greater Sacramento Area employment base. Currently, the unemployment rate for the county stands at approximately 5.5%.

- Services (including business and health).....27%
- Trade .....22%
- Government .....17%
- Education .....10%
- Manufacturing .....7%
- Construction .....7%
- Finance, Insurance and Real Estate.....6%
- Agriculture .....2%

## Education

In Sacramento County, 27 percent of the population has a bachelors or masters degree. Individuals with associate degrees bring the total to 35 percent and a total of 61 percent have some college education. The high school graduate rate is 77 percent.

## Diversity

A beautiful and progressive city, Sacramento boasts a rich cultural and ethnic diversity that is embraced wholeheartedly at festivals and celebrations held throughout the year. Named America's most integrated city by Time magazine, Sacramento is proud to be a city where everyone is in the minority.

- Non-Latino White ..... 41%
- Latino..... 22%
- Asian/Pacific Islander ..... 17.5%
- African American ..... 15.5%

## Culture

The greater Sacramento area offers visitors and residents a wide range of visual and performing arts including:

- Autowest Ampitheatre
- B Street Theater
- Chatauqua Playhouse
- Crocker Art Museum
- Mondavi Center for the Performing Arts
- Music Circus
- Sacramento Ballet
- Sacramento Community Center Theatre
- Sacramento Choral Society and Orchestra
- Sacramento Opera
- Theatre El Dorado
- Woodland Opera House Theatre
- Yuba/Sutter Symphony

## Climate

Sacramento enjoys a mild Mediterranean climate with dry summers full of sunshine and cool, somewhat rainy days in the winter.

### Monthly Weather Averages

	January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
High Temps (C/F)	12/53	16/60	18/64	22/71	27/83	1/83	4/93	33/92	31/87	26/78	17/63	12/53
Low Temps (C/F)	3/38	5/41	6/43	8/46	10/51	3/51	5/58	14/58	13/56	10/50	6/43	3/38
Precip. (mm/in)	95/3.73	73/2.87	65/2.57	30/1.16	7/0.27	3/0.12	1/0.05	2/0.07	9/0.37	27/1.08	69/2.72	64/2.51
Snow (cm/in)	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0	0/0
Wind Speed (kmh/mph)	10/6	12/7	14/9	14/9	15/9	16/1	14/9	14/9	12/8	10/6	10/6	10/6
Wind Direction	SE	SE	SW	SW	SW	SW	SW	SW	SW	N	N	N
Cloud Cover (out of 8)	5.7	5.0	4.5	3.8	2.7	1.9	1.0	1.3	1.6	2.7	4.8	5.4

